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Lisa Burgess Appaloosa Broadcasting Company, Inc. 288 South River Road Bedford, New Hampshire 03110

Re: KHAT(AM), Laramie, Wyoming

Facility Identification Number: 10333 Appaloosa Broadcasting Company, Inc. Special Temporary Authorization

Dear Ms. Burgess:

This is in reference to the request filed December 15, 2008, on behalf of Appaloosa Broadcasting Company, Inc. ("Appaloosa"). Appaloosa requests further extension of the special temporary authority ("STA") granted on August 23, 2007, to operate Station KHAT with emergency antenna facilities pursuant to Section 73.1680. In support of the request, Appaloosa provides a report of its progress toward restoring the nighttime directional antenna system which was severely damaged by lightning and is inoperable. Appaloosa states that it has completely rebuilt its phasing equipment and is waiting for its consulting engineer to confirm that directional operation in accordance with its license is possible.

Requests for extension of STA will be granted only where the licensee can show that one or more of the following criteria have been met:

- Restoration of licensed facilities is complete and testing is underway;
- Substantial progress has been made during the most recent STA period toward restoration of licensed operation; or
- No progress has been made during the most recent STA period for reasons clearly beyond the licensee's control, and the licensee has taken all possible steps to expeditiously resolve the problem.

Our review indicates that the licensee has made progress toward restoration of licensed operation, but additional time is required for completing the work. Thus, extension of STA is warranted.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> KHAT is licensed for operation on 1210 kHz with 10 kW daytime and 1 kW nighttime, employing a directional antenna during nighttime hours only (DA-N-U).

Accordingly, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station KHAT may operate during nighttime hours with parameters at variance and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits. Operation with an emergency nondirectional antenna and reduced operating power not to exceed 0.25 kilowatt also is authorized, **only as necessary to facilitate completion of the repair work.** It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. Appaloosa must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored. Appaloosa must use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the public from exposure to radio frequency radiation in excess of the Commission's exposure guidelines. See 47 CFR § 1.1310. It is anticipated that an application for direct measurement of operating power will be filed prior to the expiration date below, and that further extension of this authority will not be necessary.

This authority expires on December 30, 2009.

Sincerely,

Charles N. Miller, Engineer

Audio Division Media Bureau

cc: Appaloosa Broadcasting Company, Inc.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See 47 CFR §§ 73.45(c), 73.51, 73.54, 73.61(b)